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- [X] 3. Documents \underline{AB} and \underline{AC} are not in the English language. In accordance with 37 CFR \$1.98(a)(3), Applicant states:
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